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SUBJECT: US VIEWS ON POSSIBLE JAPANESE PROPOSAL ON CUT-OFF

1. ACDA COUNSELOR YARMOLINSKY MET WITH JAPANESE EMBASSY COUNSELOR HIROAKI FUJII MAY 26 TO RESPOND TO THE EMBASSY'S FORMAL REQUEST FOR US VIEWS ON A POSSIBLE PROPOSAL BY JAPAN AT THE SSOD FOR A HALT TO THE PRODUCTION OF FISSIONABLE MATERIALS FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS (CUT-OFF).

2. DRAWING UPON TALKING POINTS CLEARED THROUGH THE INTER-AGENCY PROCESS, YARMOLINSKY NOTED THAT THE USG HAS SUPPORTED THE CONCEPT OF CUT-OFF FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AS WAS PUBLICLY KNOWN, THE USG HAD RECENTLY STUDIED THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING A CUT-OFF PROPOSAL OF ITS OWN AT THE SSOD
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BUT HAD DECIDED THAT SUCH A PROPOSAL WOULD NOT BE DESIRABLE AT THIS TIME.

3. YARMOLINSKY STRESSED THAT THE USG CONTINUES TO RECOGNIZE CUT-OFF AS A DESIRABLE ARMS CONTROL OBJECTIVE, BUT THE US COULD NOT AGREE TO, OR ENDORSE, ANY CUT-OFF PROPOSAL WICH WOULD CALL FOR NEGOTIATIONS AT A SPECIFIC TIME.

4. FUJII ASKED WHETHER THIS MEANT THAT THE US WOULD OBJECT TO JAPAN'S MAKING A GENERAL APPEAL FOR A HALT TO THE PRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS MATERIALS. YARMOLINSKY REPEATED THAT THE US BELIEVES, IN PRINCIPLE, IN THE ULTIMATE DESIRABILITY OF A CUT-OFF BUT THAT THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE IN SPECIFIC TERMS.

5. FUJII GAVE NO INDICATION AS TO WHAT THE JAPANESE REACTION WOULD BE TO THE US POSITION BUT PROMISED TO INFORM TOKYO OF OUR VIEWS. VANCE

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